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Chambers of Vincent L. Briccetti

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

NASHALINE NATASHA GODFREY-OBIEGBULEM and ANTHONY ONYEKACHI OBIEGBULEM, Plaintiffs,

V.

UR MENDOZA JADDOU, in her capacity as the Director US Citizenship and Immigration Services, US Citizenship and Immigration Services; ALEJANDRO MAYORKAS, in his capacity as the Secretary US Department of Homeland Security; MERRICK GARLAND, in his capacity as US Attorney General; and SUSAN OUINTANA, in her capacity as the director United States Citizenship and Immigration Services New York City Field Office,

Defendants.

ORDER

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On April 4, 2023, defendants requested a 90-day extension of time to respond to the petition and complaint, from April 14, 2023, to July 13, 2023. (Doc. #8). Defense counsel noted that plaintiffs consented to defendants' request.

On April 5, 2023, the Court granted defendants' request. (Doc. #9).

On June 29, 2023, plaintiffs, proceeding pro se, filed a motion to "Order Defendants to adjudicate Plaintiff I-130 Petition with no Further Delays." (Doc. #11). The motion seeks the same relief that plaintiffs seek in their petition and complaint, namely, the adjudication of their "Petition for Alien Relative." (Doc. #12 at 1).

Plaintiffs' motion is DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE as premature, because the July 13, 2023, deadline for defendants to respond to the petition and complaint (a deadline to which plaintiffs consented) has not yet passed.

Moreover, plaintiffs' motion, which resembles a motion for summary judgment pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56, is procedurally improper.

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Chambers will mail a copy of this Order to plaintiffs at the address on the docket.

The Clerk is instructed to terminate the motion. (Doc. #11).

Dated: July 5, 2023

White Plains, NY

SO ORDERED:

Vincent L. Briccetti

United States District Judge



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